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SUBJECT: UNESCO YOUTH PROGRAM

1. IN RESPONSE TO PARIS 3637, THE DEPARTMENT ARRANGED FOR OFFICERS CONCERNED (LAWTON IO/UNESCO, SHEEHAN, STRAUS CU/WE, ARNDT CU/YSS, ELAM CU/YSS CHIEF YOUTH PROGRAMS, NOBBE IO/UCS, LAUFER AID/PPC, REGAN HEW/OE) TO MEET WITH PIERO VAGLIANI OF UNESCO'S YOUTH DIVISION ON FEBRUARY 28 AND WITH DR. THOMAS FORSTENZER OF RUTGERS UNIVERSITY ON MARCH 6 TO DISCUSS UNESCO'S SECOND INTERNATIONAL YOUTHFREE FORUM AND ITS DRAFT PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR 1975-76.

2. AFTER SIX HOURS OF DISCUSSION WITH A FRANK EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITH PROF. FORSTENZER IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY AGREED ON GOVERNMENTAL SIDE THAT IT WOULD BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE

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FOR DEPARTMENT TO SEND ADDITIONAL CONSULTANT TO YOUTH

DIVISION'S AD-HOC WORKING GROUP.

3. WE FOUND PROFESSOR FORSTENZER AN ASTUTE AND PERCEPTIVE CRITIC OF UNESCO'S YOUTH PROGRAM AND A BALANCED, THOUGH NOT UNCRITICAL, REPORTER OF THE CURRENT AND RECENT AMERICAN SCENE. WE BELIEVE HIS EXPERIENCE AS A YOUTH LEADER AT STANFORD, INTIMATE KNOWLEDGE OF CURRENT TRENDS ON CAMPUS AND HIS PROFESSIONAL SKILLS AS AN HISTORIAN, MAKE FORSTENZER WELL-QUALIFIED TO SERVE AS A CONSULTANT TO UNESCO'S YOUTH DIVISION.

4. FORSTENZER HAS DRAFTED AND WILL BE SUBMITTING THE REPORT ON THE FREE FORUM TO UNESCO NEXT WEEK. IT SHOULD ALSO BE NOTED THAT HE WILL BE SERVING AS CHAIRMAN OF AD-HOC WORKING GROUP WHEN IT MEETS MARCH 18-22. THE DEPARTMENT SUGGESTS THAT PERMDEL SHOULD MAKE A POINT OF CONTACTING PROF. FORSTENZER, WHEN HE IS IN PARIS TO ELICIT HIS VIEWS.

5. AS THE DEPARTMENT IS USUALLY UNABLE TO BENEFIT FROM SUCH DISCUSSIONS WITH UNESCO CONSULTANTS SINCE MOST AMERICANS SERVING IN THIS CAPACITY NORMALLY DO NOT STOP IN WASHINGTON UPON THEIR RETURN, WE BELIEVE PERMDEL COULD PERFORM UNIQUE AND VALUABLE SERVICE IF IT WOULD ROUTINELY AND SYSTEMATICALLY MEET WITH U.S. CONSULTANTS TO UNESCO AT PARIS AND FOLLOW UP WITH A FULL REPORT TO DEPARTMENT. KISSINGER

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